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Justin Odendhal photo

Sophomore forward Colleen O'Connell connects a header against a University of Mary Washington defende in a game they won 3-2. The Gulls advanced to the Capital Athletic Conference championship against St. Mary's on Saturday and won 1-0.

Graduate assistants achieve tax equality

BY JAMES TOWSEND Staff Writer

The newly-formed Graduate Student Council has scored its first victory, after weeks of campaigning for financial equality among graduate assistants.

The council, spearheaded earlier this semester by former Student Government Association President Julia Glanz, organized a movement among graduate students to reassess the tax code involving graduate assistant classifications at Salisbury University.

"There are three types of Graduate Assistants: research, teaching and administrative," Glanz said.

According to code, research and teaching assistants do not pay taxes on tuition remission, as working for the university waives tuition costs. However, administrative assistants are not included in this exemption.

"Administrative assistants were making \$87 every two weeks instead of the \$250 they should have been receiving," Glanz said. "We can't live off that Sure, we get it back when we file our taxes, but rent isn't going to wait for that." When looking into the classifications, the council found

that administrative assistants fell short for lacking the education value that teaching and researching had.

"You can't tell me the assistants working in Student Activities and other departments aren't constantly teaching

tivities and other departments aren't constantly teaching and mentoring undergrads," Glanz said. "University of Maryland doesn't even have these distinctions, so we appealed."

The council first sought support from faculty and staff.

The council first sought support from faculty and staff to back them in their efforts.

"It was overwhelming how much support faculty gave us," said James Russell, a graduate student on the council.

"They were fired up. I mean, really fired up."

Graduate students wrote letters to the president's office, personalized appeals and petitioned faculty, staff and students for signatures.

"It really unified us," Glanz said. "Half the grad students who helped us weren't even directly affected by the issue. We could have striked if we had to."

Their offeres were get short when SU's Vice Provident of

Their efforts were cut short when SU's Vice President of Administration and Finance Betty Crockett brought the issue to the university system level. The proposal eventually reached the desk of Maryland's Attorney General Doug Gansler, who made a ruling in the council's favor, and it is the too by the second statement of th

equalizing the tax burden among graduate assistants. "We're very happy about the decision," said graduate student Morgan Feldman. "I don't think they saw students' faces when they were making decisions like these. When we got involved, the issue moved so much faster."

However, the council insisted this is just the start. They plan on increasing their representation in university decisions, reassessing graduate student fees and talking about the possibility of health benefits and pay increase.

"It's embarrassing how low (our pay) is compared to other schools," Feldman said. "It adds up to about \$500 per month. That barely covers rent. GAs are paid for 20 hours a week, but most work well over that. Athletics assistants work at least 60 hours per week. We're already saving the university so much money."

After a solid victory, the council is confident in their influence.

"If we were to not show up to work one day, the campus would simply not function," Glanz said. "That's how much the university relies on graduate assistants."

University applicant pool strongest yet

BY COREY NETHEN Staff Writer

The wingspan of the Salisbury University Sea Gull continues to expand.

"SU continues to attract stronger and stronger academic students and from a greater distance," said Admissions Director Aaron Basko.

Despite the fact that the number of high school graduates in Maryland and the surrounding states has declined, SU's application rate continues to grow.

A competitively low in-state tuition price draws in many candidate students. The newest buildings like the Perdue School of Business and Sea Gull Square also come across as eye-opening, future opportunities.

This year's freshman application pool surpassed 8,000 applications for the first time. An increase of more than 7 percent of transfer applications added to a total of more than 10,000 applications for freshmen and transfer students, Basko said

"I really liked the idea of small class sizes. Good student-to-teacher ratio is definitely important, and I heard great things about the professors here," said freshman Leo Lichtinger.

While the academics at SU have a known reputation, the school is known for a few other tendencies.

"Everyone has heard Salisbury is a party school," Lichtinger said. With that said, not everyone that

With that said, not everyone that can bong a beer will receive the opportunity to become a Sea Gull. Admission to SU is considered selective, with approximately 52 percent of freshman applications accepted.

"The applicant pool has become increasingly diverse geographically,"

Basko said. "This year we saw a nearly 15 percent increase in applicants from outside of Maryland. People from all over the region are starting to recognize that SU provides a great education at a reasonable price. Some of our out-of-state students find that coming here is the same cost, or even less, than if they stayed in state."

The number of out-of-state students in this year's freshman class jumped by over 31 percent, and out-of-state transfers increased by over 17 percent. International enrollment also increased.

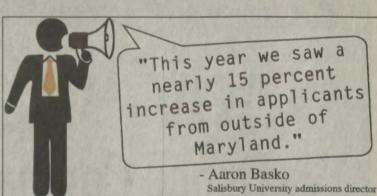
"There's going to be minorities at every school," said freshman Colin Cochran. "But overall I feel like our school is still working on enrolling more diverse students."

Academic quality has also continued to rise. Over the last three years, the average SAT for incoming freshmen has risen by 30 points. The average for this fall's class was 1711. The average weighted GPA is also at a historic high of 3.66.

"This fall we also saw the highest number of scholarship-level student ever," Basko said. "The university has really increased the visibility of opportunities for engaged learning in areas like research, study abroad and service. These are all things that top-notch students want."

SU's overall enrollment was up slightly this fall, due partly to a stronger than expected response from transfer and graduate students and also to a higher retention rate.

"Demand has been really strong for a Salisbury education," Basko said. "Students love the campus and the strong sense of community, and I think they're getting the sense that SU is getting more and more regional and national attention."



Artwork by Adora Bowman

Faculty vocalize campus concerns

BY KATELYN DRAPER Staff Writer

From the issue of Gull Card replacement fees and parking costs t

placement fees and parking costs to the suggestion of free meals in the commons, faculty, staff and students gathered last Thursday to voice their concerns and suggestions to boost campus morale.

The tiered Perdue Hall auditorium was a packed house for the Campus Consortium, hosted by Salisbury University President Janet Dudley-Eshbach. Among the crowd was Beth Ragan, coordinator of anthropology and a faculty senator, representing all the academic schools on campus. One of Ragan's biggest concerns is the lack of community amongst faculty members.

"We used to go on picnics together and now people in my own department don't even say hello to me," Ragan said.

Ragan and other faculty members asked the same question: how can faculty come together in the midst of their heavy workloads?

The faculty agreed that their work load is straining not only their time but their health. A few faculty members suggested working four days a week to alleviate the strenuous 8-to-5 work day. Dudley-Eshbach proposed a test run of the idea during the summer semester.

But for the here and now, suggestions of free employee screening assessments and stress management programs surfaced. Since most faculty spend their time at desks, the idea of conducting a work flow study based on the environment of the working space would increase comfort and attitude as well as relieve what one professor called "mouse elbow."

Kelly Fiala, professor of health and sports sciences, proposed the possibility of even organizing a "Biggest Loser on Campus" event stemmed from NBC's hit television show, "The Biggest Loser," a competition to see who could lose the most weight.

A common concern regarded the lack of raises and the unfair pay among professors, considering the amount of time faculty spend working for the university.

"We have no money for raises but money to hire incoming staff at competitive rates," said mathematics professor Kathleen Shannon. "We decide to spend our dollars that way and it was made without discussion."

Dudley-Eshbach explained that she has requested a study regarding faculty salaries to be conducted and completed by April.

"I want to be sure we're making decisions in a systematic way and not just addressing squeaky wheels," Dudley-Eshbach said.

Dudley-Eshbach shared her concern with the inadequacy of Black-well Library, which has surpassed its capacity of 2,600 students and the lack of air conditioning in Maggs Gym. One student in the crowd, drawn to SU for its beautiful campus, questioned if portions of the 56 million dollars of funding spent on Perdue Hall could have gone to repairing the library and gym.

Dudley-Eshbach explained that there are two separate laws and processes for capital funding, and money has to be spent on what it was given for. She noticed that SU was not receiving its share of capital funds when she arrived at the university and so she takes pride in the construction efforts of Perdue Hall and Sea Gull Square.

"I think we're doing pretty damn good," Dudley-Eshbach said.

The consortium will soon be offered online to continue voicing suggestions and concerns and to monitor progress.

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Obama plan to relieve debt

BY LESLIE ROANE Staff Writer

More students have to take out loans with tuition on the rise.

The average in-state college tuition at four-year public state universities increased by around 8.3 percent this fall, the College Board reported. Salisbury University's tuition for the 2010-2011 academic year was \$4,960

and increased to \$5,260 this year.
On Oct. 26 President Barack
Obama revealed a new plan to help
student borrowers with the burden
of student loans. There is currently
over \$1 trillion in student loan debt,
according to Forbes.

Around 5.8 million people in the United States have two types of loans: direct government loans and government-backed private loans, according to the Wall Street Journal. Eventually, with Obama's plan, these loans will be condensed into a single government loan with lower interest rates and more time to pay.

Junior Jessica Haaf said the plan will take the pressure off to pay her

"I could focus on a job I care about instead of a job just to get something to pay off the loans," she said.

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Haaf is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in exercise science and plans to earn a doctorate to be a physical ther-

apist. She estimates to rack up between \$15,000 and \$50,000 in debt by the time she can prefix her name with "Dr."

"And that's probably underestimated," she added.

The law will go into effect in 2012 instead of in 2014 when it was originally intended to be enacted by Congress. It states that a person who wants a student loan backed by the government would be able to get loans directly from the United States government or the Federal Family Education Loan Program. These loans can be consolidated, and the maximum interest will decline by a half percentage point. The minimum payment on student loans will be reduced from 15 percent to 10 percent of discretionary income.

The loans offered by the Federal Family Education Loan Program were typically given out by private sectors. Private sectors, such as banks, have been able to give out loans with higher interest rates and a shorter repayment deadline.

While this law is slated to save the average college borrower hundreds of dollars each month, some college students and borrowers may only see around \$8 per month taken off their college loans.

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The White House states that this law will not burden taxpayers.

The Department of Theatre and Dance Presents

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Overheard: What issues would you like the University to address?

Photos by Danielle Duplain



fine, like everyone's enjoying themselves which gives you the same analogous feeling." -Marquis Morgan, sophomore



"I'd just like to see some improvement on Gullnet and how you sign up for classes." -Christine Distefano, freshman



Some of it can be a little offensive. It's hard sometimes going around campus and seeing things you and your peers might not be OK with."



pretty good. I like the call

-Matavka Ikachana, sophomore



when I go home late and call the police, they don't answer.' -Cher Kuang, freshman

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The debilitating hangover and why professors should care



BY PETE HICKS Editorial Editor

Every Friday morning at Salisbury University, passers-by can spot the obviously hung-over students groggily making their way to class. But does it make sense for these impair task performance," so any students to be going to class? As kind of note-taking becomes use- in this cultural norm is basically

over can say, it is nearly impossible to function when the symptoms of cuse a student's absence because of

A hangover's effects can be as any combination of horrific symp- body is impaired. toms such as headaches, sensitivity to light and sound, redness of eyes, rate, high blood pressure, tremors, the first place. While this is true, tability, depression and nausea, according to the National Institute of

Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. conditions will not accomplish any- mascots and campus events. Drinkthing by going to class. According to the NIAAA, a hangover "may

asking said student to become so-But still, professors will not ex- cially isolated. Hangovers are also proven to

a hangover. The students are sick cause decreased concentration and attention. Any activity done in class and should not be docked points in mild as slight fatigue, but can reach class because of the fact that their with a hangover is useless from the start. Students with hangovers should be able to miss class with sickness' theory would say that it is out the threat of a falling grade. muscle aches, thirst, increased heart the students fault for drinking in Professors should still teach, and

sweating, dizziness, anxiety, irri- what more can you expect from a overs should be expected to make university student on a Thursday up the work that they missed at a night than to drink? later date. But when students can't "Thirsty Thursday" is as much a supply a note from Health Services A student working under these part of college culture as school to explain their absence, professors ing on Thursdays is an event that tendance for credit, should accept people get ready for all week long. the fact that students will be out on To ask a student not to participate Friday mornings.

MD Attorney General promotes civil rights at SU



BY STEVEN CENNAME

Wednesday was "Constitution Day," a day commemorating our nation's most important document, the living and breathing document, the U.S. Constitution.

To honor the day, Salisbury University invited Maryland Attorney General and national civil rights champion Doug Gansler to speak on the issue of the status of civil rights in Mary-

During the speech, Gansler talked about a good number of civil rights issues, including free speech, gun ownership rights, same-sex marriage rights, campaign finance laws, envi-ronmental laws and the right to pri-

vacy in the Internet age.

On the issue of free speech,
Gansler described it as "the most sacred right in our country." However, he said that there are some con-straints on freedom of speech that do not violate the constitution that are emerging in the Internet-age.

For example, he said the attorney general is the "policeman of the Internet," and last year there was an online brothel taken off of Craigslist He uses this as an example of a situation where freedom of speech can be curbed and as an example of how the Internet is changing the right to privacy in the United States.

He also used an example of the number of proposed pieces of legis-lation that are intended to fight cyberbullying as another constitutional way that freedom of speech may be

the founding fathers did not anticipate that one day we would all be connected by the Internet, so they did not have Internet laws in mind while writing the document. That is why

aws can be particularly difficult.

One of the post-speech questions asked to Gansler was about the Westboro Baptist Church and whether they should be protected by the first amendment. He said he disagrees with the Supreme Court's decision in Snyder v. Phelps, in which the Supreme Court ruled that the Westboro Baptist Church does have the right to protest. He helped represent the family of Matthew Snyder, a marine from Westminster, Md., whose funeral the church protested.

Another issue Gansler talked about is the progress of same-sex marriage

Same-sex marriage is "the fastest growing social issue I can ever remember," he said. He thinks the ability to marry the

person who you love is not only a civil right but a human right. Gansler predicted that same-sex marriage will pass in the Maryland legislature next year, but said that it will most likely go to referendum, which means people will vote on the issue

He encourages all Marylanders to vote in favor of same-sex marriage, and everybody should stand with the attorney general on the issue because it is very important to the country's strive for civil rights, equality, justice and freedom.

The speech was well-received by the

"He gave a wonderful speech. He's very funny, and he did a great job," junior Christina Sesok said. After the speech, I asked Gansler about what he would say to the current Republican presidential candidates who claim that environmental

regulations are unconstitutional. "Just because you disagree with something, that does not make it unconstitutional," he said.

Do sexual advertisements sell women short?



BY ABIGAIL COLBY Party Girl Problems Columnist

The phrase "sex sells" seems about as old as advertising itself. It's almost common knowledge that the second you throw cleavage or bare legs onto some marketing device, consumer interest takes a

turn in the right direction. Previously, many marketers believed that the "sex" sales tactic was primarily effective only with male consumers. But it seems more and more products targeted toward females are pulling the sex card as well.

While men, the more visually stimulated creatures of the human species, seem to go after products with suggestive images, week after week publications ranging from Cosmopolitan to Woman's Day broadcast their latest sex advice or "research" to eager female readers. So does the topic of sex really attract the gals as much as the guys? And why does it only take a picture to sell to men, but a full blown

book report to interest women? Whether we're having it or not, whether it's awesome or awful, whether it's with a spouse or a stranger, one characteristic seems to hold true for everyone when it comes to the formerly forbidden

topic of sex: curiosity. No matter what, or who, you're

in the bedroom across the hall or down the street. Due to the relatively private nature the topic seems to maintain in personal conversation, general sources such as magazines are a way to set acceptable standards and guidelines for But while men seem to be more

doing or not doing, odds are you

still want to know what's going on

getting it at all, women look at sex as something to be discussed, compared and improved upon.

Many of these articles center on new things and places to try, as well as things to improve self-confidence in the bedroom. On one hand, this trend is empowering in that it is now acceptable and even encouraged for women to openly discuss the scandalous subject matter, but what these lighthearted articles fail to mention is that it takes a lot more to form a happy rela-

tionship than a solid sex life. Although raunchy romps make for fun stories to share and are especially fun to read, it's also important to promote self-confidence in every aspect of a woman's life, not just the parts that involve a male

Despite the strides made with embracing female sexuality, the media seem to work in reverse for other important factors of women's lives, as many career-related articles are put on the backburner to make way for the pieces regarding the immediate gratifica-

tion achieved in the bedroom. Whether it's "Sex Tips from Guys" or "Keeping Your Sex Life Alive," publication companies know that regardless of life-stage or lifestyle, sex sells to women, even if it's taking a part of their

Letter to the editor | In response to 'Will Obama's approval ratings improve?'

BY SEAN ADKINS

Pete Hicks,

address the question you have posed in the article's title. You haven't noted that while his

proval rating based on being commander-in-chief specifically is quite high. And in comparison to other great presidents, his approval rat- past year of Obama's presidency. ings aren't even close to being as In searching for your answer, you low as Reagan or Clinton's

and approval ratings, you would began polling approval ratings. see how closely correlated they are (with some exceptions such as most guaranteed to go up for the Sept. 11 and the Iran Hostage Cri- rest of his term based on past

noting the historically low approval is elected to a second term. ratings of Congress as well, which

would reveal a high public disapproval rating with all politicians, regardless of branch or level. Congress's approval rating is around 9 percent right now I think that your editorial in this (Gallup), and a Fox poll found 52 week's edition of The Flyer fails to percent of Americans think the president has good ideas for increasing job growth, but the GOP is to blame for blocking him. And approval ratings are low, his ap- that's from a notoriously GOP-biased media corporation.

I think your editorial should reflect your question, not recite the would find that his ratings are in the third-year lull nearly every pres-If you compare GDP growth ident has experience since Gallup

Obama's approval ratings are alpresidential approval ratings and In addition, I think it is worth our economy and even higher if he



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Homecoming events overlooked in lieu of Punkin Chunkin



Inter-Fraternity Council Correspondent

show their school spirit.

Unfortunately, this year the infamous Punkin and cheerleaders. Chunkin falls on the same weekend as Home- To show unity as Greeks, the teams will be

was clearly a choice made weeks ago. Greeks typically take pride in their campus activities, so why is it that they chose Punkin Chunkin

has never been a problem in the past and shouldn't be in the future.

The Greeks are having their own Home-For the fraternities, Homecoming is a time coming event the following week. The sororito reconnect with their chapter's alumni and ties are hosting a powder puff football game where the fraternities will be coaches, referees

coming, and it has taken priority over Home- a mixture of every sorority, as well as the fracoming for many of the fraternities. Several ternities' cheerleading squads.

SU student Victoria Brannock conveys imagination through art



Excitement of the imagination is a proven

bright, young, talented students.

chapters have planned to ride buses and meet up with alumni at the event, without much re-

gard to the events on campus. It takes some organization to fill a bus, so it

"It just sounds more appealing than an SGA block party," said junior Nate Smith. "Besides, we'll still meet up with the alumni when we get

Everyone looks forward to both events. It



motivator for the human race.

Salisbury University is a proponent of that

University Center, Fulton Hall and Henson Brannock's color choice of black and white Hall are adorned with student artwork as an creates a sullen mood, yet it seems as if the attempt to remind on-lookers of inner pas- subject is at peace. sion. Senior Victoria Brannock makes it her While this piece is particularly striking, her duty to convey the power of imagination to talent is truly unveiled in all of her showcased audiences with her paintings.

Brannock is an art major striving to recre- Fulton's computer labs on the first floor. ate the beauty in her artistic mind on one lucky canvas. Several of her oil paintings have What better way to better oneself than to been showcased on campus for many weeks. master all subjects? Embracing artistic ex-Art has its own distinguished significance en- pression, academic excellence and an enjoytirely, and it can never be less important than able social life makes a happy, well-rounded

Brannock expresses a great need to share

"For art to be kept away and hidden for selfish reasons defeats the purpose of creating the work in the first place," Brannock

This enthusiastic, upcoming artist makes a critical point. Art helps everyone develop their own ability to create and construct ideas different from others. She invites the creation of artwork for the main purpose of admiring

Hanging in Fulton is one particular artistic piece created by Brannock that boasts excellence. Her black and white oil painting is wonderfully proportioned and realistic in its depiction of a young woman lying on a sofa.

The painting is a representation of beauty ideal. The university is home to hundreds of and has a way of subtly capturing the viewer's attention. It allows the audience to appreci-Student-frequented areas such as Guerrieri ate minute beauty in normal situations.

paintings. The painting can be viewed near The mind must constantly be stimulated.

GREEK SPEAK Dad AdVice

Dear Jordan,

I went out for Halloween this year and my top felt a little tight, but it looked so cute that • Consider wearing clothes that fit. I just didn't care. Well, I went out to the bar and started dancing when my buttons snapped and my top completely fell off on the dance floor. I am absolutely mortified! Luckily, I was wearing a bra, but what should I do as far as damage control?

Dear Exposed:

That was you?! Just kidding- but yes, I agree that is appalling and will definitely require major damage control to recover your, I'm sure, pristine reputation.

Here is what I suggest:
• Wait until The Commons is really packed

then stand on the table with a megaphone and publically apologize to anyone that was offended by your indecent exposure. • Write a formal letter of apology to the bar for exposing your bare bra. Be sensitive to the fact that they are probably not used to on Halloween.

If the people are still outraged, try the fol-

• Transfer schools. I wouldn't even try another campus in Maryland. Chances are, word has spread about your bra's shocking

• Let's be honest- the guys weren't looking at your face. Get a boob job so they won't recognize you or your girls.

Victoria's Secret Miraculous Push-up Bra from now on. It bumps you up two cup-

I really don't think that your shirt slinging off offended anyone. You were probably a celebrity with the guys and personally, I'm significantly unimpressed with other girls' breasts, especially in a bra, so I'm assuming other girls feel the same way.

I don't mean to belittle your ordeal, but it could have been a lot worse. Thank your lucky stars that it happened at the bar rather than somewhere else. Your shirt could have slung-shot smack into Grandma Betty's eye on Thanksgiving.

By the end of Halloween weekend, I saw Little Red Riding Hood's ass, a Kitty's kitten, Caesar's palace and 6.5 nip slips (one is still in debate). So I highly doubt that your costume malfunction was the topic of con-

versation Sunday afternoon. If it makes you feel better, my bunny costume gave me major bun cleavage which I wasn't particularly fond of. It was Halloween, kid! If you didn't embarrass yourseeing girls losing their shirts... especially self at least once this weekend, you weren't going hard enough. Just laugh it off like everyone else and get over it.

To seek bad advice from Jordan, email your question to thesuflyerblog@gmail.com

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Dancer overcomes asthma, wins scholarship

BY KRISTINA JACKEREAS Staff Writer

activity, but it doesn't stop freshman extracurricular activities. Victoria Danna from putting on her Danna was one of two girls who

won the \$5,000 Will to Win scholar- dancing for most of her life and said ship sponsored by Merck Respira- it is one of her passions. tory. According to Merck, the scholarships were awarded to "out- covered that I had Respiratory Synstanding high school seniors who cytial Virus," Danna said. "When a said that if anyone deserved this were disciplined, determined and baby has RSV, there is a high proba-scholarship, it is Danna. successful in managing (their) bility that the individual will develop

asthma and are pursuing a higher ed- asthma later on during life. Sure even let her take care of my two-year- healthy and safe," Danna said. "The

won the scholarship in the perform- Town. Danna was one of 10 students who ing arts category. Danna has been

"Weeks after I was born, it was dis-

enough, I developed asthma as I old, so clearly I trust her and believe Will to Win scholarship is different

Park) in Berlin, Md.

For the past three summers, Danna Frontier Town (Western Theme let, and Hip-Hop.

Her manager, Francene Kennedy, "She is very dependable, and I have at times, but you learn ways to stay

grew older. Asthma has been a chalthat she is a great person," Kennedy from others because it takes into con-Asthma can put strain on physical 3.5 to 4.0 GPA and participation in lenge with dance, especially in the said. "She puts her all into everything sideration what you have physically summer. I make sure I always use my she does and always helps to train the overcome and awards you for your inhaler before I perform at Frontier new dancers who come to Frontier strength and accomplishments." Town every spring."

Danna now has her asthma under

the scholarship "Asthma can be an inconvenience

Danna has studied a variety of ence major and Danna's suitemate has worked as a Can-Can Dancer at dance forms including jazz, tap, bal- said she admires her friend's hard

"She really deserves something like control and is honored to have won this," Colsoli said. "She's an amazing dancer regardless of her asthma."

Sam Colsoli, freshman exercise sci-

Block party wraps up homecoming week



Education club member face paints for Ha Nguyen at the Block Party, held on the Intramural Fields Saturday. The Block Party was held in honor of Homecoming weekend at Salisbury University.

BY ADEDOYIN JUNAID Staff Writer

Homecoming week culminated with the block party in Sea Gull Stadium on Satur-

versity students and offered community members and alumni a place to come together and celebrate. The positive and friendly atmosphere allowed participants to relax and try new things, ranging from the African Student Association's head-tie and face painting workshop to the Asian and Pacific Islander Club's ninja bowling

and dragon quest. Members of on-campus organizations took the initiative to engage attendees of the block party in free activities. Among the activities was Student Nurses Association's game, Pin the Band-Aid on Sammy the Sea Gull, hammering a nail with Habitat for Humanity and the moon bounce from the Student Organization for Activity Planning.

In addition to expanding each particiand causes, activities often came with a re-

Registered Student Organization members thoroughly enjoyed engaging students in fun activities.

all the babies at the moon bounce and the welcoming environment allowed for



Anh Nguyen photo Maria Ablen puts her Quidditch skills to the test at the Intramural Fields on Saturday.

Quidditch was just one of the many activities at the Block Party.

handing out T-shirts to participants. She people to better interact with one another. pointed out that the block party was a bet- While most participants agreed that the ter alternative to Punkin Chunkin.

Senior Ashley Broughton pointed out "(We need) more notification to prepare, her favorite part of the day was meeting munity members together. She noted that would have to bring" Hoang said.

block party was an enjoyable part of the Senior APIC member Sally Hoang added Homecoming festivities, they admitted pant's knowledge about certain cultures that getting people to participate was re- that a few changes could be made to make warding, especially with all the hard work it a better experience for all. Hoang, that was put into the development of the Nguyen and Broughton observed the need

that the block party was efficient in bring- and (more information) about what would Junior SOAP member Kim Nguyen said ing all of the different clubs and the com- be there for us to set-up and what we

'The Servant of Two Masters' to feature improvisation

BY KRISTINA JACKEREAS

Comedy, improv and clever ridiculousness are just three of the ingredients within the Comedia mix of Carlo Goldoni's classic play, "The Servant of Two Masters," which will be presented by the department of theatre and dance Nov. 10-13 and 17-20 at 8 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Director Robert Smith chose to do the play because it features different styles of comedy and is an important part of theatre history.

"This play is based around the style of Comedia, or scripted improv," Smith said. "Although we have a set script of events, something different can come up at anytime during the play, which keeps the audience on their seat and makes everything more exciting."

The story is based on a servant, named Truffaldino, who begins to work for two different masters in order to make more money for food. The play also has a collection of underlying subplots that deal with love, loss, uncertainty and above all, comedy. Smith said that fans of "Monty Python" and "South Park" will love the play.

"You don't have to think or analyze to enjoy this play," Smith said. "It's pure fun. It's a good example of a mindless release; it takes the humor from the past and present and combines them

Smith has directed plays at SU such as "The Clean House" last fall, but what makes this play different is its use of improv. Much of what happens depends on the creativeness of the actors, Smith said. Much of what will happen on the stage has grown out of the improvisations done during the rehearsals.

The cast of 12 looks forward to using improvisation. Joseph Arnett (Truffaldino) and Chelsea Hines (Beatrice) are eager to put the style to

Arnett predicts that the silliness of the play

will make it successful. "The play really does excite me because of all of the goofy antics constantly going on, especially all of the physical things I get to do," Arnett said. "I think it's going to go really well and be a play the whole audience will have fun with, just as long as we keep working hard to make sure all of our physical stuff is down, which is

where I think we are getting to." Hines is determined to teach the audience

about her character's witty personality. "I think what most excites me about "Servant..."is that the role of Beatrice is really challenging me as an actress, (and) I get to learn and grow with such a wonderful group of people,"



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Essential skin care tips

SARAH WOODS Health Columnist

With puberty in the past and the prospect ices. of wrinkles in the distant-future, skin care is not often a major concern for most college

However, Student Health Services Director Jennifer Berkman said that preventative skin care is crucial at any age.

"Students don't always think preventively and tend not to worry about things that they see as longer term issues," Berkman said. She gave college students these three tips:

Minimize dryness

"In the winter especially, students should be using moisturizers to keep skin from becoming too dry," Berkman said, explaining that over-dry skin can cause discomfort. It can also result in an immune response as well as itch-

Avoid ultraviolet exposure Berkman said that over-tanning can cause

"Students can neglect or damage their skin

using tanning beds," she said. Many students do not realize that not only does UV exposure cause cancer, but it also contributes to signs of premature aging, such as wrinkles and sun-spots. Although not every person who tans will develop cancer, everyone who has excessive UV exposure will suffer from premature aging.

by sunning too much, either outdoors or by

Prevent infection Berkman said that contact dermatitis and bacterial skin infections are the most common skin conditions seen at Student Health Serv-

Contact dermatitis is an immune response that can result from exposure to poison ivy and poison oak, reactions to hair dyes, metals in jewelry and fragrances in shampoos, detergents and other household products. It can result in hives or a rash.

Berkman said that the best way to avoid this condition is to protect skin while outdoors and be careful about changing skin care products or detergents. She added that contact dermatitis can be prevented by sanitizing athletic equipment and maintaining personal hygiene. She also recommended regular ousehold cleaning.

The American Academy of Dermatology has declared November as Healthy Skin Month in order to raise awareness of commonly overlooked skin problems. For more information about maintaining healthy skin, visit the American Academy of Dermatology's website, www.aad.org.

Events!

Tuesday 11/8

Wednesday 11/9

Film: Coco Before Chanel 7:30 p.m. TETC 152.

The Servant of Two Masters (from Nov 10-Black Box Theatre 8 p.m. and 2 p.m.* Friday 11/11

Renters Fair Link of Nations 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 11/12

Great Hall.

Jocelyn Armes and Jarod Armes Joint Senior Recital

An Afternoon of French Music and Poetry

Great Hall 7:30 p.m. Monday 11/13

WINK Presents: "Salisbury's Best" Talent fundraiser Maggs Gym 6 p.m.

The Baltimore Consort p.m. Holloway Hall Auditorium

SOAP Film: "Friends with Benefits" Holloway Hall 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Thursday 11/10

ecture: Studying Abroad in the Francoph-

Lecture: Coal, Coffee & Corporation Great Hall. 7p.m.

AMA Presents: "Life after SU": Perdue 249 3:30 p.m.

CRU Comedy Show Wicomico Room 8 p.m.

SOAP Film: "Friends with Benefits" Devilbiss 123 7 p.m.

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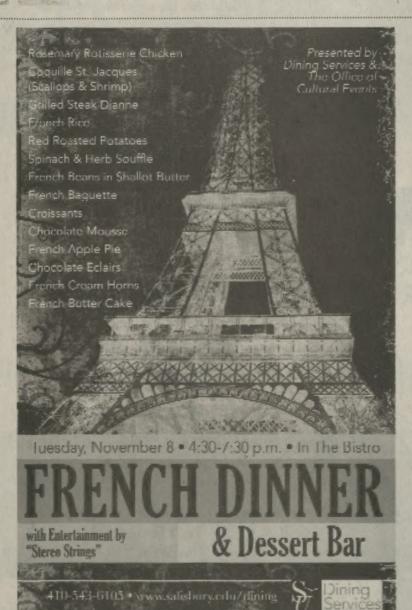
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Volume 39 Issue 9 SU FIELD HOCKEY CAPTURES 16TH CAC

BY STEPHEN BERSTLER IR Staff Writer

For the past 15 years, Salisbury University's field hockey team has been in the same position heading into the Capital Athletic Conference Tournament: defending champions. However, after falling in last year's semifinals to Wesley College, Salisbury went into the 2011 CAC Tournament looking to win back their CAC crown.

The Sea Gulls (17-1) did just that taking home their 16th CAC Championship after defeating the aforementioned Wesley College (12-9) 5-1 on CAC Championship Saturday.

"It definitely feels good to have it (the CAC title) back home where it belongs," said senior goalkeeper Anna Cooke.

The game couldn't have started any better for SU with senior back Mc-Govern putting the Sea Gulls on the board 10 minutes into the game. Mc-Govern finished the game with a goal and two assists. "We worked extra hard preparing

for this game, especially after the game (vs. Wesley) last year," Mc-Govern said.

The extra preparation certainly paid off. At the 22-minute mark, Mc-Govern found junior forward Kristin Fusco, who hit the top shelf of the net to expand the Sea Gull lead to 2-

In last year's semifinal match-up, Wesley neutralized the Sea Gulls offense to only nine shots. This year, Salisbury registered 10 shots in the first half alone, which gave Wesley goalie Elizabeth Groom and the rest



lustin Odendhal photo

Senior forward Caitlin Walker drives the offense against the York College Spartans on Wednesday. The Gulls won the game 6-0 and advanced to the Capital Athletic Conference championship against Wesley College, which they won on Saturday 5-1.

of Wesley's defense a laundry list of disrupted that plan with an unas- gion forward Madison Leone and "We are on a mission this year and problems. SU finished off the first sisted goal only four minutes in. the rest of the Wolverine offense to CAC's was one of the first things on half strong as senior forward Caitlin

Along with McGovern, senior only eight shots.

Walker scored off a McGovern pass. goalkeeper Anna Cooke, senior back SU found the back of the net one an NCAA bid," said head coach If Wesley wanted to get back into Shannon Hanratty and junior back more time when junior Erica Hen- Dawn Chamberlin. the game, the Wolverines had to Amber Holland displayed why derson hammered home a pass from avoid a quick Sea Gulls second half they're one of the best defensive senior Courtney Webster to give SU first round before hosting the sec-

goal. Senior Allison Bloodsworth units in the country, holding All-Re- a 5-0 advantage.

the list...we are real happy capturing

The Sea Gulls have a bye in the

Soccer wins 4th CAC Salisbury football locks



Senior forward Amanda Miele goes for a header against the University of Mary Washington Eagles on Wednes-

BY ALEXANDRIA YOUNG

Staff Writer

The Gulls captured their fourth Capital Athletic Conference title since 2006 with a 1-0 win against St. Mary's College in overtime. Give-and-go's, connected passes and the desire to win all described why the Salisbury University women's soccer team won on Saturday

at the SU Soccer Complex. Winning seven of their last eight conference games, the women headed into the championship game seeded No. 1 in the CAC. The only goal scored came from a corner kick by junior forward Sarah Pfundstein to junior midfielder Bonnie Sandone.

"Getting the winning goal feels awesome; we worked so hard all season," Sandone said. As the game got underway, the Sea Gulls had more than 10 shots on goal in regulation, out-

day. The Gulls won the match 3-2 as well as the CAC championship on Saturday against St. Mary's College 1-0.

Michelle Conrad, held strong and kept the Seahawks scoreless "We worked hard, had great communication and the defense had a lot of heart," Conrad

shooting St. Mary's throughout the entire game.

The defense, lead by freshman goalkeeper

At the end of regulation, the teams were deadlocked at 0-0, resulting in 10-minute golden goal overtime. Six minutes into overtime, a corner kick from Pfundstein found Sandone, who headed it straight into the net.

"It was a great turnaround from last year's record, knowing we had the capability of doing better with hard work and dedication." said head coach Jim Nestor. Finishing the season with a 13-5-2 record, the

SU women's soccer team is now CAC champion and plays Wheaton College on Saturday in

up DIII tournament bid BY COREY SZNAJDER senior linebacker Jamey McClendon. The automatic bid to the Division III

Web Content Coordinator

Gulls (8-1, 6-0 conf.) got the win they burg State for the Regents Cup. needed over the St. John Fisher Cardinals (7-2, 5-1 conf.) to clinch an automatic bid 21 victory in the annual Homecoming nament," said senior running back Randal

touchdown run by senior Ross Flanagan, at a time to be announced later. eating up over nine minutes of the clock in "We got the ball first, so we went in with

the mentality that we were going to score on our first drive, especially since were going up against a good offense," said junior quarterback Dan Griffin.

St. John Fisher's third-ranked offense was able to move the ball down the field, but was ultimately shut out in the first half. Their final drive of the half was cut short by an interception from junior linebacker

Kevin Costello. Although the Cardinals were 90 percent effective in the red zone coming into this game, the Sea Gulls defense allowed them

to score only once on six entries. "The defense really stood their ground in the first half," said head coach Sherman Wood. "(St. John Fisher) scored 63 points the last week and has one of the best offenses in the nation, so being able to shut them out in the first half was huge."

The Sea Gull defense also forced a fumble on the first Cardinals possession of the second half and turned it into another touchdown to take a 21-0 lead in the third quarter. SU maintained at least a 14-point lead after the first half.

"We were focused on stopping their quarterback for most of the game and have them try to beat us by other means," said

tournament is locked up, but SU still has The 11th ranked Salisbury University Sea one game left on its schedule against Frost-"Every time, it's a new week and the score goes back to 0-0, so we still need to prepare into the Division III tournament with a 41- for next week and then focus on the tour-

The Gulls set the tone early with a 15 play, Salisbury will play Frostburg for the Re-86-yard drive that ended in a four-yard gents Cup on Saturday at Sea Gull Stadium



immy Mundy received a red card.

The Gulls had to push even harder

Cornish, who retrieved or stole al-

most every ball that came his way.

"We are definitely one of the bet-

can get in for our seniors and the

coach Gerry DiBartolo.

players that worked hard," said head

The Sea Gulls play Neumann Col-

Junior quarterback Dan Griffin takes off during the Homecoming game on Saturday afternoon. The Gulls won over St. John Fisher 41-21.

SU volleyball takes home championship

BY PATRICK DRENGWITZ Sports Editor

volleyball team is now a championship-winning squad. The team snatched the title against Stevenson University in three straight games.

Key blocks from juniors Chelsea Glowacki, Jenna Shay and Carley Todd, to name a few, sent the hometown crowd into a frenzy. The Stevenson University Mustangs were endlessly plagued by the relentless SU defense and were sent scrambling for powerful kills from almost the team in celebration toward the ulls.com for game times. every Sea Gull that played.

Todd scored the first point of the fore the victory was even made comnight after a well-placed kill, fore- plete. shadowing what was still to come The Salisbury University women's from the top-ranked team. Huge said. "We put up an absolute wall, hustle was also visible as the Sea and it was so great to see that de-Gulls dove all over the court, digging fense shots that looked to be easy points for the Mustangs.

> swings at balls even if they were off net. We took chances and eventually, they paid off."

Head Coach Marge Knight joined in the week. Check www.suseagend of the third and final game, be-

"Our blocks were fantastic, Knight

With the win comes SU's seventh Capital Athletic Conference volley-"The best thing we did tonight was ball title and entry into the NCAA our setting," Todd said. "We worked tournament, where they drew Galhard on it in practice and we took laudet University in the first round. The game is set for Saturday at

Christopher Newport University. The time will be announced later

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Wednesday-11/9 Thursday - 11/10 Swimming at Washington 5:30 PM Field Hockey TBA

(NCAA First Round) TBA Friday - 11/11 Volleyball at TBD (NCAA Regionals)

Volleyball at TBD (NCAA Regionals)

Sunday - 11/13 Field Hockey TBA (NCAA Quarterfinal) TBA (NCAA Regionals) TBA

Saturday - 11/12

Swimming at Catholic1:00 PM Cross Country at NCAA Mideast Regional (Center Valley, Pa.) 11:00 AM Football Frostburg St. * (Regents Cup)TBA Field Hockey TBA (NCAA Second Round) TBA Volleyball at TBD

Sea Gulls in a close 1-0 game BY MARIAH BAUGHAN man down when junior midfielder

Spartans soccer team trumps

Staff Writer

It was a heartbreaking day for the after the penalty, but the defense still Salisbury University men's soccer held off another goal, thanks to team when the York College Spartans clenched the Capital Athletic Conference title.

The Spartans hailed victory over ter teams in the country. I hope we the Sea Gulls in a close, 1-0 final

Catching the Sea Gull defense off guard, the Spartans scored their only goal two minutes into the game. After the goal, the Gulls applied pressure throughout the first half. "We played as hard as we could," said sophomore defender Larry Cornish. "It was just one of those

days where things weren't going our With strong defense by sophomore sweeper Chase Humprey and junior defender Kyle Simmons, the Sea Gulls didn't let another goal go in. Humphrey even brought the ball up to offense to shoot on the Spar-

tans numerous times. "We didn't have many opportuni-ties," Humphrey said. "We had to test the goalie when we had a

The Sea Gulls maintained their aggression during the second half, leading to a disadvantage of one



Senior forward Ian Wilson celebrates a goal over Frostburg State on Wednesday. The Gulls won the game 3-0, but fell to the York College Spartans on Saturday 1-0.

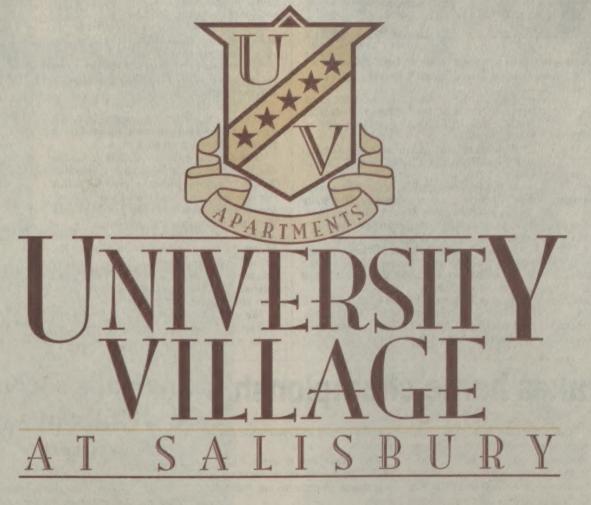
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